PMRY in Rajasthan

1985. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have evaluated the implementation of the PMRY in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and results obtained;

(c) the drawbacks found out, if any;

(d) the remedial measures being taken; and

(e) the details of beneficiaries of PMRY in the State, during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The first round of evaluation of the PMRY was conducted in 1996-97 for the programme years 1993-94 and 1994-95 in 21 States/Union Territories (UTs), including Rajasthan. The second round of evaluation was conducted in 2000-01 for the programme years 1995-96,1996-97 & 1997-98 in 5 States, including Rajasthan. The important findings recommedations" of the evaluations studies include enhancement of upper age limit for. eligibility of applicants, raising of the permissible family income ceiling, revision of the minimum educational qualification of applicants, upward revision of project cost, continuation of training of selected applicants with stipend, etc.

(d) Some of the parameters of the Scheme, *viz,* increase in maximum age limit to 45 years for Scheduled Cast/Scheduled Tribe, Ex-servicemen, physically challenged and women applicants, reducing the minimum educational qualification to Class VIII pass, etc., have been modified, based, *inter alia,* on the recommendations of the evaluation studies of the PMRY.

(e) The details of beneficiaries of PMRY in the State of Rajasthan during the last three years are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of beneficiaries of PMRY in the State of Rajasthan During the last three years.

Years	Target (Plan) (Nos.)	Application Received by banks (Nos.)	Applicatrion Sanctioned by banks (Nos.)	Application Disbursed by banks (Nos.)	Estimated employment generated#
1	2	3	4	5	6
2003-04	8100	28480	15654	12769	19154
2004-05	9100	29533	16429	12919	19379
2005-06*	9328	28842	16982	13875	20813
Total	26528	86855	49065	39563	59343

Source: RBI

* Provisional

\# estimated employment generated @ 1.5 per case disbursed.

Removal of wastes by Union Carbide

†1986. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the poisonous wastes of Union Carbide has not been even removed till date since the date of the Bhopal gas tragedy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent of damage to the environment due to the above poisonous wastes; and'

(d) the responsibility of removing the poisonous wastage is with whom and by when it would be removed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI. B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) and (b) Approximately 350 MT of different types of toxic wastes and approximately 40 MT of Lime Sludge are lying as stored toxic wastes at the Union Carbide plant site at Bhopal.

(c) The toxic wastes have led to contamination of ground water and soil in the around the UCIL plant site.

(d) The High Court of Madhya Pradesh has constituted a Task Force for monitoring the process of the removal of the chemical wastes Lying in and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.